### Mr. Takacs

# **IB Environmental Systems and Society**

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### **Class Goals**

- To learn about the environment and humans interactions within.
- To pass the IB Environmental Systems and Society internal and external assessments.
- To practice research skills needed to study the environment.

### **Expected Behavior**

- Be in your desk when the bell rings.
- Obey food and drink policy. Three strikes you're out.
- No Cell phone use during lectures.
- Sign out when you leave, and sign in when you return.(Once per class)

## **Consequences for not Following the Rules**

- 1. Verbal warning
- 2. 5 minute classroom exclusion
- 3. 10 minute classroom clean up duty and parent contact.
- 4. Office Referral.

### This is a Paperless Classroom

All work is done electronically and turned in via google docs. You must have a gmail account for this class. They are free to create, or you can use the one provided to you by the school district.

I have numerous computers in the classroom for your use, but you are encouraged to bring your own personal electronic device. Anything with wireless internet access will work just fine. The following is a list of recommended electronic devices:

- Chromebook- It's relatively inexpensive (~\$200) and a very fast and reliable laptop.
- Tablet- You can get a 7" android tablet for about \$50 and it works great.
- Laptop- If you got one it will work, but I wouldn't recommend buying one just for this class.
- Smartphone- Will be sufficient for this class, but it's not the best device for typing papers.

## **Technology**

Cell phones-must be placed face down, in the upper left hand corner of one's desk during lectures and class discussions. Games, social networking, and other unscholastic applications can only be used after all work has been completed.

Computers-You are encouraged to take notes electronically anytime; however, it is rude to work on something other than what the class is working on. Computers must be shut down during class discussions.

### **Attendance**

You are responsible for making up work missed because of an **excused** absence. What you missed can be looked up on the class website or on the whiteboard. Worksheets can be downloaded or picked up from front of room. Just because you are not at school doesn't mean you can't turn something in. Everything is turned in electronically. *You are allowed one makeup assignment per semester*.

### Website

This class has its own website at www.mrtakacs.com

Calendars showing the day by day agendas are available

All worksheets are posted on the website along with answer keys and power point notes

### **Grading**

Grading will consist of projects turned in, presentations, some quizzes, and unit tests. At any time you feel that your grade does not reflect what you have done or learned, talk to Mr. Takacs to work out a way for it to better represent your commitment to Environmental Science.

Scale:

$$100\%-89.5\% = A$$
  $89.4\%-79.5\% = B$   $79.4\%-69.5\% = C$   $69.4\%-59.5\% = D$   $59.4\%-0\% = F$ 

# **Help**

I am available for extra help during nutrition, lunch, and after school. Use the magnetic calendar in the front of the room to request a time to meet.